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MEMORANDUM FOR THE GENERAL COUNSEL

SUBJECT: Periodic Pay Increase for Miss

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OGC HAS REVIEWED.

It is requested that you furnish a decision regarding the eligibility of the above employee for a periodic pay increase, as determined by the following information:

> while an employee of the War Department, was promoted from P-3 to P-4 (9 July 1942). She served in this grade for 30 months and was granted a periodic pay increase 1 April 1945. On 7 October 1945 she was involuntarily reduced to a P-3. She was restored to P-4 on 10 February 1946. Her salary was placed at base of grade and she was denied administrative promotions previously earned.

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- b) In accordance with Comptroller General's Decision B-61181, what is proper salary for employee?
 - c) Can CIG correct her salary?
- d) Can the salary correction be made retroactive?

It is my opinion that the present salary for this employee is correct. Her former office, at their discretion, saw fit to reduce her grade and salary on 7 October 1945. Had her salary remained at the top of the grade, which was \$4300 at that time, would have been due an increase 10 February 1946. The above action was taken in accordance with administrative policy of that agency, and cannot be corrected by CIG. Therefore, the salary covering the period under consideration cannot be changed or made retroactive by this Agency.

> 3. Since it is possible that the employee may wish

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to request a decision by the Comptroller General on her particular case, I would likewise appreciate your suggestions regarding the desirability of that approach.

